Remarks

The specification has been amended to update the priority information. Claims 1 and 11 have been amended to state that the nuclease is expressed in an amount effective to reduce the viscosity of a high density cell lysate, typical of commercial fermentations, and that the nuclease is secreted into the periplasmic space or culture medium. Claims 1 and 11 have also been amended to clarify that the bacteria produces a product to be isolated. Support for these amendments is found in the specification on page 5, line 18 and page 9, lines 11-13 and page 7, line 10. No new matter has been added by way of these preliminary amendments, entry of which is respectfully requested.

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